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1. MIDDLE EAST. TELEVISION CARRIED REPORT ON US DECISION TO SELL PLANES TO EGYPT, INCLUDING WIREPHOTO OF VARIOUS PLANE MODELS. RADIO ANNOUNCED "US CONFIRMED IT WILL DELIVER WARPLANES TO EGYPT." NACION INSIDE REPORTS "CARTER SUPPORTS FIGHTER SALES TO ARABS." PRENSA, "DAYAN ASKS US TO CONTINUE TO MEDIATE," ALSO "MIDDLE EAST SENS MAJOR ARMS SHIPMENTS TO SOMALIA." CLARIN, "AFTER MEETING WITH CARTER, DAYAN SAID ISRAEL WILL CONTINUE TO NEGOTIATE PEACE." OPINION, "IN SPITE OF DISAGREEMENTS WHICH EMERGED, DAYAN UNDERSCORED WASHINGTON, "US ROLE AS MEDIATOR."

2. HUMAN RIGHTS. PRENSA AND NACION EDITORIALY CENSURE FRENCH ARCHBISHIPS DECISION NOT TO HOLD SERVICE HONORING SAN MARTIN IN PARIS. NACION INDICATES REFUSAL INFLUENCED "BY CONSIDERATIONS BASED ON OUR INTERNAL SITUATION. IF SO, PROBABLY A CIVILIAN OR POLITICAL FACTOR INTERFERED " PRENSA POINTS OUT THAT "INDUBITABLE SUPPORT BY ALL OF ARGENTINE (CATHOLIC) CLERGY TO HOMAGES SCHEDULES IN HONOR OF THE HEROS 200TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY SEEMS SUFFICIENT REASON TO DISPEL ANY HESITATION IN THE FRENCH PRELATES MIND."

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OPINION CONTRASTS FRENCH ARCHBISHIPS ATTITUDE WITH TODMANS REMARKS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. EDITORIAL HEADED "ARCHBISHIP MARTY SEEMS TO DISDAIN TODMANS BALANCED JUDGEMENT." SAYS "TODMANS DECALOGUE HAS AN ESSENTIAL CONTENT: TO MAKE HIS OWN COUNTRYMEN AND FOREIGNERS UNDERSTAND THAT DEFENSE OF HUMAN RIGHTS HAS ESSENTIALLY A POLITICAL VALUE. IT IS AN

INSTRUMENT DESIGNED TO PUSH THE ADVANCE OF DEMOCRACY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. BUT THIS OBJECTIVE IMPLIES FOLLOWING A PROCESS WHICH BE INDIVIDUAL AND DIFFERENT IN EACH COUNTRY." IT REPRESENTS, OPINION INDICATES, "AN ADEQUATE BALANCE BETWEEN MORALITY AND INTELLIGENCE . . . WHICH DOES NOT SEEM TO HAVE INSPIRED ARCHBISHOP MARTY WHEN HE REFUSED TO HOLD A MASS IN PRIS IN MEMORY OF SAN MARTIN . . . IF MONSIGNOR MARTY DECIDED TO ACT AS A PROTAGONIST IN CONNECTION WITH HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY, HIS FIRST PERFORMANCE WAS NOT A FORTUNATE ONE." UNDER THIS EDITORIAL OPINION REPRINTS SPANISH VERSION OF YESTERDAYS HERALD EDITORIAL "A SLAP IN THE FACE." (SEE THURSDAY MESSAGE.)

NACION LEAD EDITORIAL SUPPORTS GOA MEASURES AGAINST JEHOVAH WITNESSES ON GROUNDS THAT "HONORING NATIONAL FLAG OR ANTHEM. . . DOES NOT ABSOLUTELY MEAN TO WORSHIP THEM IN THE RELIGIOUS SENSE OF THE WORD. . . FURTHERMORE, IF RIGHT TO RENEGE ON CIVIC OBLIGATIONS WHICH ARE COMMON TO ALL INHABITANTS OF THIS COUNTRY WERE ADMITTED. . . EVEN THE ESSENTIAL NORM WHICH FORCES (CITIZENS) TO ARM THEMSELVES IN DEFENSE OF THE FATHERLAND WOULD BE QUESTIONED."

3. HORN OF AFRICA. NACION DEVOTES TO SUBJECT HALF OF PAGE 2. STORIES HEADED "MORE CUBAN TROOPS GO TO FIGHT IN OGADEN," AND "HORN OF AFRICA IS MAGNET FOR MERCENARIES." PRENSA REPORTS "US WILL NOT NORMALIZE LINKS WITH CUBA DUE TO PRESENCE OF CASTRO REGIME FORCES IN AFRICA." OPINION UNCLASSIFIED

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"CUBANS OFF TO ETHIOPIA AS REINFORCEMENT FOR ANOTHER OFFENSIVE."

4. THE PRESIDENCY. OPINIONS NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT HORACIO CHAVEZ PAZ REPORTS SUBSTANCE OF JOHN BERRYS STORY "THINGS HIS FATHER NEVER TOLD JIMMY" FROM MAGAZINE FORBES UNDER HEADLINE "A YEAR IN GOVERNMENT NOT ENOUGH TO CHARACTERIZE JIMMY CARTER." CHAVEZ PAZ REFELECTS: "CARTERS ROLE IN CURRENT POLICY BEING SO LARGE, AND FORBES MAGAZINE BEING SO SOLID, IT IS SURPRISING THAT AFTER A YEAR IN THE PRESIDENCY THE WEEKLY STILL ATTEMPTS TO ELUCIDATE WHAT KIND OF PERSON THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE IS." HIGGINS

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